GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3744
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2005
SOCIO -ECONOMIC UPLIFTMENT OF SAFAI KARAMCHARIS
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any agency for all round socio-economic upliftment of the Safai Karamcharis and their dependents in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the Government extend financial assistance to them for establishment of income generating and viable projects;

(d) if so, the details in this regard;

(e) the terms and conditions and criteria for availing such assistance; and

(f) the number of persons benefited and assistance provided to them during each of the last three years till date, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a)&(b): National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is for the socio-economic upliftment of Safai Karamcharis and their dependents. It provides financial assistance (loans) at concessional rates of interest throughout the country through State Channelising Agencies nominated by the concerned State/UT Government.

(c): National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) is extending financial assistance to Safai Karamcharis and their dependents for income generating and viable projects.

(d): Some of the sectors which can be financed are agricultural and allied activities, artisans, industry, small business etc.

(e): Scavenger/ safai Karamcharis and their dependents duly identified under the NSLRS/survey/registered co-operative society of Safai Karamcharis/legally constituted association/firm promoted by the target group and also all those who produce a certificate from local Revenue Officer/local Municipal Officer/Cantonment Executive Officer/Railway Officer not below the rank of gazetted officer are eligible for availing such assistance.

(f): NSKFDC has provided financial assistance to the tune of Rs.117.80 crores during the last three years covering 44792 number of beneficiaries. The State-wise financial assistance provided by NSKFDC and the number of beneficiaries covered during the last three years is at Annexure-A.

ANNEXURE-A

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (f) OF LOK SABHA USQ.NO. 3744 FOR 19.4.2005.

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE FUNDS DISBURSED AND BENEFICIARIES COVERED DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS I.E. FROM 2002-2003, 2003-2004 AND 2004-2005.

(Rs. in lacs)

S.NO.	SCA	2002-2003		2003-2004		2004-2005		TOTAL	
		Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	1610.58	21532	1035.30	5877	390.00	3650	3035.88	31059
2	ASSAM	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
3.	BIHAR	0.00	0	0.00	0	122.03	129	122.03	129
4.	CHANDIGARH	14.65	35	0.00	0	0.00	0	14.65	35
5.	CHHATTISGARH	62.50	16	217.59	431	364.48	188	644.57	635
6.	DELHI	0.00	0	0.00	0	350.00	583	350.00	583
7	GUJARAT	0.00	0	196.13	27	442.07	423	638.20	450
8.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	113.53	40	90.88	560	4.50	5	208.91	635

9.	HARYANA	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
10.	JHARKHAND	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
11.	KARNATAKA	261.79	809	50.00	83	557.98	921	869.77	1813		
12.	KERALA	21.01	32	0.00	0	0.00	0	21.01	32		
13.	MADHYA PRADESH	168.75	450	282.50	810	247.50	638	698.75	1898		
14.	MAHARASHTRA	35.05	22	434.54	237	404.92	402	874.51	661		
15.	MANIPUR	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
16.	MEGHALAYA	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
17.	MIZORAM	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
18.	ORISSA	0.00	0	28.39	34	0.00	0	28.39	34		
19.	PONDICHERRY	28.27	82	0.00	0	0.00	0	28.27	82		
20.	PUNJAB	99.88	250	0.00	0	11.57	31	111.45	281		
21.	RAJASTHAN	335.29	417	247.03	213	232.79	275	815.11	905		
22.	TAMIL NADU	55.85	134	200.00	333	0.00	0	255.85	467		
23.	TRIPURA	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0		
24.	UTTAR PRADESH	1154.20	1932	553.78	620	1190.10	2185	2898.08	4737		
25.	UTTARANCHAL	43.56	58	31.00	200	59.30	109	133.86	367		
26.	WEST BENGAL	0.00	0	31.11	19	0.00	0	31.11	19		
TOTAL:		4004.90	25809	3398.26	9444	4377.23	9539	11780.39	44792		